

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: SHIMIZU, et al.

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Examiner: Daniel A. HESS

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PURCHASED COMMODITY ACCOMMODATING AND TRANSPORTING APPARATUS HAVING ELEMENTS FOR PURCHASING A COMMODITY FIXED TO

A TRANSPORTABLE ACCOMMODATION SECTION (AS AMENDED)

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 - EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**GROUP ART UNIT 2876**

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 27, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: